## CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: 6.

Other known title(s): Not stated

**OFLC ref:** 1700571.005

Medium: Computer Image File

**Publisher:** Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Not applicable

**Applicant:** Commissioner of Police

Classification: Objectionable.

**Descriptive note:** None

**Display conditions:** None

**Date of entry in Register:** 26 October 2017

Date of direction to issue

a label:

No direction to issue a label has been issued

**Date of notice of decision:** 26 October 2017

## Summary of reasons for decision:

The computer image file is deemed to be objectionable under s3(2)(a) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 (FVPC Act) because it tends to promote or support the exploitation of children or young persons for sexual purposes. The image depicts an adult woman and an older child or young teen and has a highly sexual tone. The image sends the message that it is acceptable for adults to involve children or young people in sexual situations. This image therefore at least tends to promote and support the exploitation of children or young persons for sexual purposes. This classification interferes with the right to freedom of expression as provided by the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, it is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s3(2) of the FVPC Act are deemed objectionable and reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect children and young persons from exploitation and harm.